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Russian Policy in the North,

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The Arms and Ammunition Bill.

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Li Hung-chang and the Canton Vice-

Monopolies and the Inland Navigation

Quail and the Game Preservation Laws.

Amsteur Dramatic Club's Performance.

Major-General Lawton Killed at San

Christmas Concort at the Government

Towing Concession between Canton and

Presentation of the Regatta Prizes.

NOTICE:

THEREXCELLENCY LADY BLAKE

January 2nd, from 4 to 6 P.M.

Government House.

will be at Home on TUESDAY

Hongkong, 28th Docember, 1899.

Leading Articles :--

General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1899.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1899.

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ROYAL.

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Hongkong, 29th December, 1899.

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An Invoice of TAPESTRY, ASSORTED

V. I. REMEDIOS,

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Sales Rooms, No. SA, Queen's Rond Control.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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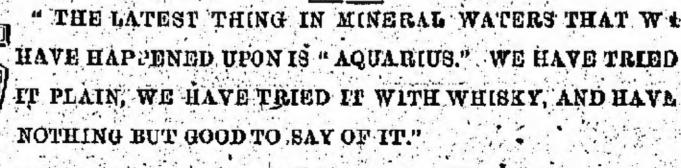
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Dec. 28, HAIMUN, British steamer, 636, A. E. Hodgins, Swatow 27th Dec., General,-DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Dec. 28, Kwongsano, British str., 989, W. S.

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Hongkong, December 29th, 1899. From the telegram of our London corres pondent it will be seen that the continued despatch of Russian reinforcements to the Far East is attracting attention in Europe, and the Odessa correspondent of the Times views with ecepticism the allegation that the field hospital staff that is being sent out is intended to combat the plague in Manchuria. There have for some time past been rumours of strained relations between Russia and Japan, and, although the reports have been officially contradicted, it is certain that there is no love lost between the two countries. Sould they come into actual conflict, however, we are inclined to think it would be Japan who would start the game. From that point of view the strengthening of Russin's forces in the Far East may be regarded as preparation for an anticipated attack. It is true the attack may be provoked by Russian encroachments upon what Japan may consider her, own special sphere, but it there is to be fighting Russia will leave it to Japan to commence it. But over and above possible complications with Japan, Russia is no doubt strengthening her military position for the advancement of the forward policy she has determined upon and which she is now pursning. The present time, when Great Britain is preoccupied in South Africa, may also suggest itself to the Russian Govcriment as favourable for special activity in pursuit of that policy. But even if our hands were free there would be good reason why Great Britain should hesitate before the 20th attempting to thwart Russia's policy, so long as our own trade is uninterfered with. This is not a popular view, Russophobia being senreely less agreeable to the English palate than Anglophobia is to the French is Lord Rosenery remarked in his recent criticism of Mr. CHAMBERLAIN'S speech, we have ever been too, ready to flout other nations, and it is no wonder -that Great Britain is unpopular abroad. Especially have we been ready to flout Russin, in sensou and out of senson. One of the charges brought against us by foreigners is command. that of hypocrisy and insincerity, and it must be admitted that the attitude of many Englishmen towards Russia's railway schemes in Asia gives some colour to the charge. For well night a century we have been calling out for the opening of China, but a proposal to link Peking up with the European railway system at once excites our violent hostility, because a

Russian line would form the main link,

For our own part we hold that railway

communications in China are to be welcomed

no matter by whom they may be established,

Instead of opposing the making of Russian

could be instilled into China herself, so that she should devolon her resources on her own account in as liberal a spirit as Japan has done and is doing. If there were any sincerity and honesty of purpose in China she would not lack friends who would assist her to preserve her integrity, but while she continues in her present condition she will remain exposed to aggression on all sides. The United States and the various European Powers appear to have arrived at an agreement that in any territory any of them may acquire in China there shall be no curtailment of existing trading privileges, and that is the meaning now attached to the often misused term "the open door;" but none of the Powers appear prepared to guarantee the maintenance of China's territorial integrity.

A performance will be given in the Theatre Royal on Tuesday evening, 2nd January, by the Tournée Star Company, a French operation company, that is proceeding to the United States from Manila. The artistes include Molle G. de Stirval, mezze-soprano; premiere-chantouse; Mollo. Lucette, comique-galbeuse; Star, repertoire comique; and Les Leicestar's, duettistes excentriques. The performance is under the patronage of General Gascoigne and promises to be artistic and interesting, and part of the proceeds are to be devoted to the Patriotic

.The annual installation meeting of Zetland Lodge, No. 525, was held on Wednesday even- in the Bill being drawn up in a special form. ing, when Wor. Bro. G. Piercy, Jr., who had Apart from this Bill the owners of piers are been re-elected as Worshipful Master for a liable to have their licences determined by second term, was duly installed in the chair of three menths notice. They were very anthe Lodge by the District Grand Master, | xious to be given something in the shape of Right Wor. Bro. the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.C., permanent tondre of their piers and wharves in assisted by Wor. Bro. Gillies, Acting De. the view of the valuable nature of the piers and puty District Grand Master, and the District | wharves erected in this colony, and it is in-Grand Lodge Officers. Right Wor, Bro. Sir tended; sir, if this Bill is passed that, leases Henry Blake, G.C. M.G., honoured the Lodge with | shall be granted to owners of piers and wharves his presence. Wer. Bro. Piercy appointed his for a period of 50 years, at the rate for cannot defend my company; but the reason of officers as follows :- S.W., Bro. W. J. Tutcher; 50 years mentioned in the schedule, subject that was that we were compelled to shift and J.W., Bro. J. J. Bryan; Treas. Wor. Bro. & J. B. Sayer, P.M.; Socretary, Bro. E. Ralphs; Chaplain, Bro. G. Patton; Organist, Bro. H. Sykes; S.D., Bro. B. B. Harker; J.D., Bro. J. pier owners by a committee appointed by them, Shelton; I.G., Bro, J. W. Graham; Dir. of Ceremonies, Bro. G. R. Frampton; Steward, Bro. W. H. G. Prince; Tyler, Bro. B. Jorus. After the Lodge was closed the brothren sat down to a banquet, when the usual loyal and masonic toasts were duly honoured, and several of the brothren entertained the company with is a fair increase of rent-is a fair compromise songs. During the course of the evening a to arrive at. I understand that the committee collection was made on behalf of the South appointed by the pier owners have, upon the African Fund and the sum of \$450 was contri- understanding that their term is lengthened to buted. The Band of H.M.S. Barfleier was the period I have mentioned, agreed to accept present and played selections during the ban- the scale of rent inserted in the schedule of

last night, the Right Wor. District Grand tary of State for the Colonies, and a reply was re-Master, the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., caived to the effect that while he was not ready presiding. The following appointments were to abandon whatever rights might be in possesmade and officers invested :- II) S.G.W., Wor. sion of the Crown in such matters he was at Bro. G. L. Tomlin; D.J.G.W., Wor. Bro. the same time prepared to consider each indivi-G. A. Caldwell; D. G. Chaplain, Wor. Bro. dual case on its own merits as it might arise, Board of General Purposes. Wor. Bro. T. F. in the middle of this year, I find that the Hough; D.G. Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. O'D. wharves and piers of the Kowloon Wharves Gourdin; D.S.G.D., Wor, Bro. M. M. Mac- and Godowns Company have been exempted kenzic; D.J.G.D., Wor. Bro. C. S. Rogers; from the operation of the Bill. I feel, sir, Supt. of Works, Wor. Bro. G. W. Crombie; that if the case of the other wharves were D.G. Dir. of Ceremonies, Wer. Bro. F. W. placed before Your Excellency in their true Clark; D. Assist. G. Dir, of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. lights you would also be disposed to exempt K. W. Mountey; D.G. Sword Bearer, Bro. E. them as well from the proposed increased dass. L. C. Berger, D. G. Standard Bearers, Bro. The inadvisability of the proposed measure is F. D. Goddard and Wor. Bro. J. G. Gotz; so palpable that it needs but little comment D. G. Organist, Bro. A. G. Ward; D. from me. The extra taxation is to be imposed Amoy; D. Assist. G. Pursinivant, Bro. W J. Tutcher; D. G. Stewards, Bros. G. W. Watling, F. T. Richards, W. J. Williams, E. A. Stanton, A. H. Bothenbiom, and the S. W. of Ionio Lodge, Amoy; and D.G. Tyler, Bro. H. W. Wolfe. Wor. Bro. J. Bry. ant and Wor. Bro. W. C. H. Hostings were one hundred thousand dollars, an expenditure elected unofficial members of the Board of General Purposes.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

RE-OPENING OF PHILIPPINE

to be opened under Coasting Trade Regulations.

Lionnon, 27th December. RUSSIAN ACTIVITY. Russian reinforcements continue to be des

whether the field hospital staff that has been sent out is intended as alleged to combat the plague in Mancharia:

natched to the East.

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM THE FRONT IN SOUTH AFRICA. News from the front is encouraging. AWAITING LORD ROBERTS'S

ARRIVAL The Central News learns that the Generals have been instructed to await Lord Roberta's arrival before making any important move-

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 26th December.

HOW GENERAL BULLER'S REVERSE WAS RECEIVED AT LADYSMITH. News from Ladysmith dated 20th instant says that General Buller's reverse at the Tugela was received by the garrison with equanimity. Everyone is confident that the relief is only posiponed for a short time and that the town

can bold out indefinitely. THE BOER POSITION BOMBARDED. News from Chievely dated 20th instant states that Lyddite guns bombarded the Boer positions at Colenso for some hours on the morning of

The enemy did not reply. The British ferce is eager for battle.

MODDER RIVER. The situation at Modder River is unchanged General Methuen is well entrenched and the enomy is not molesting him.

OCCUPATION OF NORDRECHT. Capt. Dalgety with 150 police has occupied Nordrecht:

The Boers are retreating. PINK-EYE AMONGST THE HORSES. Pink-eye has appeared among the Boer horses and also among the horses in General Gataore's him were erected under a special Ordin-

HEALTH OF THE TROOPS. Dysentry is somewhat provident cappointly at Modder River. GENERAL JOUBERT.

General Joubert has returned to the front after his illness. LATER. SEDITION AT THE CAPE.

Evidence is daily accumulating of widespread he never suggested that the ront which it was sedition at Cape Colony which implicates three members of the Cape Parliament.

CASUALTIES IN NATAL. A War Office despatch from Mariteburg 24th instant states that Col. Fawcett of the 5th Lancers has been severely wounded. Major railways it would be more to the purpose if King, Captoins Wathen and Oakes, and Ad-Great Britain would promote railway onter jutant Hulse slightly wounded, also 9 men

prises of her own in order to bring Peking into The despatch gives no details of any engagecommunication with India and, ultimately, mont, but the list shows that the casualties with Egypt and Europe. Still more satis- amongst the mea are chiefly from the Glou-

Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the Hong-kong Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber at the Government Offices, there being present

His Excelannon the Governor (Sir Henry The Hon, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART. C.M.G., Colonial Secretary). Hon. H. E. Portock (Acting Attorney.

Hon, R. MURRAY RUMBEY (Harbour Master). Hon, F. H. MAY, C.M.G. (Captain Superntendent of Police). Hon. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. R. D. ORMEBY (Director of Public Hon. C. P. CHATER, C.M.G. Hon. Dr. Ho KAL Hon. E. R. BELILIOS, C.M.G.

Hon. WEI A YUK. Hon. J. J. KESWICK. Mr. R. F. JOHNSTON (Acting Clerk of Councile). FINANCIAL

The COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the lable the report of the Finance Committee (No. 13) and moved its adoption. The COLONIAL TREADURER seconded, and the motion was carried. THE PIERS ORDINANCE.

The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I bog. sir, to move the second reading of the Bill ontitled the Piers Ordinance, 1899. Honourable members will have had the opportunity of reading the objects and reasons attached to the Bill, and I do not think I need go through them now. This matter, sir, has formed the subject of a good deal of discussion between the Government and the pier owners, and this has resulted to revision at the end of 25 years, if we had nowhere to go to. thought desirable: I think, sir, the principle of and t have taken a great deal of trouble in my consideration of the Bill, and in the detail connected with the Bill. I think, sir, the compromise suggested in this Bill—the lengthened term for pier owners, this being a great bonetit | the day, to them, and the increase of rent, which I think

The COLONIAL SECRETARY-I beg to sec-The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the ond, and in doing so I should like to inform District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and this Council that the question of compensation South China was held at the Masonic Hall for removal of piers was referred to the Secre-

Piercy, Jr.; D.G. Treasurer, Wor. Bro. The Hon. E. E. Beltlios-Your Excel-J. B. Sayer; D.G. Registrar. Wor. Bro. Isney, in comparing this Bill with the Shelton Hooper; D.G. President of the Bill which was before the Council some time Pursinivant, the W. M. Ionio Lodge, now, long after the several steam boat companies have entered into leases with Ended proprietors on the Praya for sea frontages. some of these leases running one for twenty one years and long after large sums of money have been expended on the erection of wharves. Some of these whereas have cost as much as entered upon without the least prespect of a single dollar coming back in the shape of interest for capital sunk there. These wharves being fixtures and passangers having become accustomed to use them, they cannot now

ndvantage of his helpless condition. The tax On New Year's Day the ports of Dagupan, will fall on one section of the community-San Fernaudo, Vigan, Lavog, and Aparri are shareholders of the several steam-boat companies, a small proportion compared with the large population inhabiting this colony. The opium farmer bonefits by these wharves. They afford him facilities to search passengers landing here with sauggled opium on their persons. I know it for a fact that when the subsisting agreement was being regociated Sir William Robinson tried his best to persuade the opi The Odessa correspondent of the Times doubts um farmer to abandon his right of search This the farmer consented to do, on condi tion that a large sum should be deducted from the rout he had to pay into the Treasury for the farm. It is therefore avident that the colony bonefits by the use of these wharves. Assuming that there were no wharves in the harbour and that steamers coming here were compelled to discharge in mid-stream, it is easy to imagine the state in which our food stuffs would found if they had to be pitched and dumped overboard helter-skeller into sampans. Imagine these sampans struggling against wind and tide to arrive at the different market places in the city of Victoria! Imagine the state of mind in which house-keepers would be found owing to the delay in these supplies reach; ing their destination! The total sum to collected from these wherves would be so small that it would assuredly not be worth while causing all this amount of instation, inconnonience, and disappointment amongst a large number of Her Majesty's loyal subjects. Assuming for the sake of argument, however, that the steamers which use these wharves do no special good to the colony, it cannot be denied that they bring grist to the mill in the shape of passengers coming here en route to different parts of the world. These people stay here for spend money in the colony, thus in no inconsiderable degree beloing to augment the

lowed certain privileges, privileges that are and 19 of 1884.) denied to the ocean-going boats resorting marks will convince your Excellency that amended by Ordinance 25 of 1891 a revised and benefit of the general public. Consequently

the proposed heavy wharf dues should not be imposed upon them. from the honourable member, I would mention rates fixed in the revised soltedule. that the piers and wharves mentioned by ance. Therefore they seem to stand on a some pay the intreased rents fixed in the revised ice, the Jebson steamers will cease calling there. has follow from the honourable member as to the increase of rent in accordance with the schedule grounds. of this Bill, I would inform the honourable member that Mr. Arnold, who is the secretary to the steamboat company of which the houourable member is chairman, was one of the committee which considered this question, and be agreement between the Government and owners

the honourable member seems to think. The motion was darried. The Council then-went into committee to consider the Bill clause by clause. No special comment was made until the schedule with the scale of rents chargeable under the Ordinance for encroschments of piers over Hongkong side :-

For encroschments of 500 square feet For encroachments exceeding 500 square feet, but not exceeding 1,000 aq. ft. ..

HOMOROVO DEGISLATIVE - Post transcribes and according 1,000 sq. ft... For encrosobments oxomiting 2,000 aq. feet but not exceeding 1,000 ay ft For emercachments examing 3,000 sq. feet but not exceeding 5,000 sq. ft ... For encroschments exceeding 5,000 aq. feet, but not exceeding 10,000 sq. ft.

For encrosolments exceeding 10,000 aq. (b.) In any other place; half the above scale. The Hon. E. R. Bulilios-L bog to propose that this soale be reduced by one-balf. Percharged. Recently rates have been added to the extent of \$15 a month, making \$30 a month.

der a mistake. One pier in the harbour is erected on Crown land within the waters of paying \$215 a month under a special agree- Hongkong, without awarding any compensation ment. Of the last eight piers which Your to the owners. Excellency has sanctioned, seven pay \$75 a mouth, and they are very willing to pay it, and able to surrender the right, which I am advised for the eighth \$90 a month is being paid. Government undoubtedly possesses under the They are under special egreements, and under existing law, of demanding the removal of these this Ordinance these rates will continue. I structures without giving compensation, but have every reason to know that the people have it should not be rigorously insisted on underpaid the money very willingly and make a all circumstances, and each case as it arises very good thing out of it. Une of the cases should be judged on its merits. which brought forward this Piers Ordinance "4.—I have already inform last year was a case where the Government got \$75 a month for a small bamboo pier near the Central Market whilst the fortunate owner sub-let it for \$125 a month. That was a local case brought to my mind to show what an extremely profitable property these piers are. So I think the honourable member has fallen into a great mislake when he says the maximum amount paid by the Canton and Macao Steam-

hoat Company is \$30.a month. His Excellency THE Governor (josularly) -No wander they pay good dividends. The Hon. E. R. Bullillos-These arrangements were entered into when the Bill was

The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS-With regard to the Macao Wharf the payment of the increased sum of \$215 a month was agreed to. The Hop. E. R. BELLIOS Of course I

The HARBOUR MASTER-The honourable this Bill has been accepted on behalf of the member mentions the privileges conferred upon the colony by the wharves and plara, but he has not mentioned the privilege granted to the Canton and Macao Company, who are only charged one-third light dues when the bests come in al night and nothing when they come in during

The HON. E. R. BELILIOS-I have also mentioned that at Tonkin the river steamers are exempt from all dues and are subsidized. The COLONIAL TERASURER (jocularly)-I think theatres are subsidised there too. His Excellency the Governor-Do you wish this to be put that the rents be reduced

by one-half P The Hon, E. R. BELILIOS .- Yes. His Excertency the Governon-This has been before the Piers Committee. The prices in the present schedule are one-half as much as the prices in the original schedule. The Hon. E. R. BELILIOS-I have only just heard that Mr. Arnold was chairman of that

HIS EXCELLENCE the GOVERNOR -Oh no; he was not chairman. He was one of the members. The Hon. E. R. BELILIOS-He had no

anthority from the Board to act as such. The Hon. C. P. CHATER-I may mention for Your Excellency's information, that I have had a good deal to do with regard to this Bill. It originally came forward I think 12 months ago, but before General Black left the colony an order or regulation was passed putting on a turiff double what is in this Bill, and an advortisement was put in the Gazette stating that it was to take effect almost immediately. 1 appealed to General Black and to the Executive Council very strongly on the subject, and ultimately it was decided to leave the matter in absyance until Your Excellency's arrival. On Your Excellency's arrival, if you recollect, you took up the matter almost immediately, and the matter has been threshed out from that date till now. Nearly 12 months ago the pier owners called a meeting of the people interested piers. A committee was appointed, and if

mistake not Mr. Herbert Smith, of the Chiun Navigation Company, was appointed chairman. They went into the question very thoroughly and submitted their views to me to bring before the Government, which I did. After some negotiations the matter was arranged, and this tariff was well be removed. To tax them now is what was arrived at by this committee: The tantamount to permitting a man to build only one point which was held over, and for a costly house on Crown land and then to which the Bill has been delayed so long, was Manila, 28th December. come down upon him for six or eight times with regard to the compensation chause. The the amount of Crown rent he had reckoned on owners, like the hon urable member opposite, having to pay when he first acquired the site. | argued that after having spent large amounts in It is like taking him unawares and seizing | putting down piers and wharves it would be a great hardship if within two or three months the Government ordered their removal without compensation. Their views and also the views of the Government on this point were submitted to the Secretary of State; hence the delay. The roply of the Secretary of State was submitted to me, and I in turn submitted it to the committee. Mr. Arnold is a member of the committee, and took a very prominent part in it. I think the minutes of the committee were forwarded to your Excellency or to the Colonial Secretary, and they bore Mr. Arnold's signature. It is for that reason I cannot possibly second or help the honourable member with regard to the various matters he has brought forward. If the matter had not been gone into as fully as it has I should have felt inclined to support him in one or two o the views he has expressed, but the matter having been thoroughly gone into by the pier owners and by those who are likely to have

quiers in the future, and a committee formed of these pier owners having arrived at the con clusions they did, I regret that I for one can not support him at the present moment. His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-Does the honourable member wish the amendment to

be put? The Hop. E. B. BELILIOS - Yes, sir. The amendment was then put and lost. HIS EXCELLENCY the GOVERNOR-With regard to what the Hon. Mr. Chater has said. I see no reason why I should not read you the Secretary of State's nuswer on this question of compensation, because I think the pier owners need not be afraid. This was my despatch

which I sent in September:-Sir .- I have the honour to submit for your decision the following point which has arisen in connection with the rights of this Government days, if not for weeks, and during their sojourn lover the piers and wharves erected on Crownland and within the waters of this Colony. "2.—Before the passing of Ordinance 15 1889 there were no laws on the subject of piers river steamers are recognised by the Chinese and wharves, though the construction of some

"3.-In March 1888 it was brought to that port for trade; whereas here in a British to the notice of the Government that the colony flying the Union Jack, under which rents which were being paid by pier owners they are supposed thrive, it is now proposed to or lessees for the entropoliment over the Crown mulet them in payment of heavy wharf dues, foreshore or ever the bed of the harbour were instead of being privileged, instead of being much too low and out of all proportion to the exempted from paying light dues, and instead value of the piers. The question was considerof being subsidised by the State as are the ed in Executive Council and it was decided that river steamers in Tonkin. I trust these re- under Section 68 of Ordinance 15 of 1899 as

creased rates and a new form of agreement. pier cwners which were supported by the Hong- act of rebbing a Chinese store at Taitunghaien extra charge. It is cheerfully acknowledged kong Chamber of Commerce, it was considered were five years of hard labour. Excellency, with regard to what has just fallen advisable whilst raising the reals to reduce the Bishop Anser, who has just apout nearly a week "5 .- The representatives of the wharf and pier a fortnight's time.

owners, whilst expressing themselves willing to the removal of which is required on public more quickly and regularly than before.

"6.-I have consulted the Acting Attorney. General on the question of compensation who socking situations but very few are successful in advises that though the right of removal with- their search - N.C. Daily News correspondent. out companiention undoubtedly exists under the suggested certain matters of detail in which he of piers, a copy of which is attached, the Goconsidered that this Bill might be improved, but | vernment has never exercised that right hitherto, and probably would never do so, as such a proposed to lery was an exharbitant rent as course would be inequitable, however legally Singapore for this port on the 27th inst. at 8 justifiable, and further, he points out that in the case of the removal of piers under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance 16 of 1889, compensation was paid, which seems to create a

7.—Some of the piers at present erected and some proposed to be erected are expensive structures, and it is pointed out that the right | the 27th inst., and left at 3-30 p.m. same day follows:—(a) Within the Harbour limits on the to remove them without compensation destroys for Yokohama, where she was due to arrive at their value as security, should it be necessary 2 p.m. on Thursday, the 28th instant. to utilize them for that parpose,

"Public purposes" but found it impossible to day, 28th inst., and is expected to arrive here 180 de se in a manner satisfactory to the owners, on the lat prox.

At present I do not see any purpose for which we should require to remove a pier, save Praya Replaination, which is already provided for.

Attorney-General, but as the right of the Crown 660 unquestionably exists to demand removal of piers without awarding any componsation, I do not consider myself entitled to surrender this right without definite authority to do so. I have therefore, the honour to request that you will favour me with an early decision on this matter and that, in view of the desirability of collecting the increased rents as soon as possible. heps you are not sware that for our largest pier you will convey to me your reply by telegraph." under present conditions only \$15 a month is I got a telegram in reply, but this is the

Sir. I have the honour to acknowledge the This now schedule will make the payment three receipt of your despatch No. 257, of the 8th, ultimo, submitting for my decision the question The DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS-I of surrendering the legal right of the Crown think the honourable member is labouring un- to demand the removal of piers and wharves

"2 - I consider that it would not be advis-"4-I have already informed you to the

above effect in my telegram of the 13th, So you see, although the right is there, I do not think any Government would ever dream of removing an expensive pier for public purposes without giving compensation. The Bill having passed through the committee stage the Conneil resumed, and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE. The Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend the Compunies Ordinance, 1877, passed through the committee stage and was read a third time and passed.

DANGEROUS GOODS ORDINANCE. The Bill entitled an Ordinanance to amend the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873, was read third time and passed. THE BUMMONING OF CHINESE BY THE

REGISTRAR-G ENERAL The Bill entitled an Ordinance to provide for the gummoning of Chinese before the Registrar-General was road a third time and passed.

THE ARMS ORDINANCE. The next item on the agenda was :- "Commit toe on the Bill entitled an Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the carriage and possession of arms and ammunition." The COLONIAL SECRETARY said with regard to this-With regard to the next itom on the Orders of the Day, I beg to inform Your Excellency and this Council that a letter has been received from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce asking that this Bill may be still further postponed in order to allow the committee of the Chamber further time to consider it. Owing to the intervention of the holidays and the absence of cortain gentlemen the Chamber has not had full opportunity of giving the matter that consideration which the Chamber considers it deserves. I think, six that the request for postponement is reasonable, and I would, therefore, suggest that this item be discharged and the further consideration of

the Bill postpened for a fortnight. The ACTING ATTORNEY-GENERAL-I would ask your Excellence's leave to withdraw this item in the Orders of the Day. I may mention, sir, that I have forwarded this afternoon to the Secretary of the Chamber four copies of this Bill, four copies of proposed amendments, and four copies of additional amendments which the Government propose to make in consequence of cortain suggestions made by the learned Counsel who addressed us at the last meeting of the Council

The item was accordingly discharged. The Council then adjourned for a fortnight.

HONGKONG DIGH LEVEL TRAM WAYS CO. LIMITED,

The fifteenth general meeting of the share. holders in the Hongkong High Level Tramways Co., Limited, was held vesterday at the Comp. any's Offices. Mr. Hart Buck presided. The other gentlemen present were; Messrs C. Ewens, J. Orango and G. W. Dickson (Consulting Committee); J. Jupp, A. H. Mancell, G. Stewart,

and W. C. Taylor (Scoretary). The Chairman said-Gentlemen, with your permission I will follow the usual custom, and take the report and statement of accounts as read. I am pleased to be able to congratulate you on a successful year's working, our traffic receipts showing an increase site, or its use for any particular purpose, or to over last vear of more than \$11,000. To arrive repurchase any ground at any time for the at this result naturally our working expenses original price. Naturally the choice pieces have at this result naturally our working expenses have also been considerably larger, and you will been the last to be thrown open to would be notice the salaries and wages show an increase | perchasers, as the Government must be served. of \$1,618.05, and that of maintenance and re- Now that they have supplied all needs, immedipairs of \$3,599.44. This additional expenditure | ate and prospective, restrictions are being rehas been principally caused by our largely aug- moved. A nice point thus arises. Interested mented service, which has necessarily led to increased wear and tear, especially on our ropes, plication to the Government for permission to two of which were worn out in seven months. I am pleased to say, however, that our present been filed for consideration. For more eligible rope is wearing much better, and as the makers sites more than one application has been made. Is at bome now know the exact temper of steel | the Government now to decide who may or may that is necessary we can. I think, look forward not purchase or is it simply to say the land may with confidence to our future ropes lasting much | now be sold at purchaser's risk as per regulation? better. Before moving the adoption of the One would suppose there should be no interreport and accounts I shall be very pleased to ference with the market, yet this will be the in-

There being no questions, the Chairman roposed the adoption of the report and ac-

Mr. G. Slowart seconded. The Chairman proposed that Messrs. Ewens, J. Orange and C. W. Diokson be reelected to the Consulting Committee. Mr. Mancell seconded,

Mr. Ewens proposed the re-election of Messa Fullarton Henderson and W. H. Potts as audi-Mr. Jupp seconded.

The Chairman-That is all the business o the meeting, gentlemen. Dividend warrants rates, to civilians only, are as of old, Service will be ready to morrow morning. Thank you

TSINGTAO.

16th Devember. The Shantong Mining Co, which has recently been started here, has a share capital of £600,000. Mr. Rebders, formerly a manager of the Dentach-Agintische Bank, is the managing director. To induce Chinese to invest their money in it, the Government, for in Canton they are al- had been sanctioned by Special Ordinance (18 shares have been fixed at 5100 each; instead of Prince-Henry, who has been promoted by the

Emperor to the rank of Vice-Admiral will not return here. He has addressed a forewell letter to the Governor in which he expressed the wish that sport shall be fostered here as it is at other | see their way to raise the status of the office and Our police are at last lieginning to clear out attaching to an "inland office." for though the of the colony all the Chinese robbers and thieves | recently, published list shows Weihaiwei as who made Tsingtae a very unsafe place for a having been granted steam traffic privileges

short time. A Chinese thief who robbed a for some of its mail comes overland still and is whorves are constructed chiefly for the comfort, schedule should be drawn up comprising in eigner of \$200 has been given four years, another charged for accordingly, though mails carried for counterfeiting Mexican dollars five years, by the same messenger and delivered through "4.—Owing to the representations of the and two Chinese thioves who were eaught in the the British post office are not subject to an with as starts for home on four months leave in sought to wentilate the subject.

In consequence of the closing of Tientsin by what different footing from the other piers and schedule as amended rent, urgs that compensa. They will only go on to Chefoe and then return wharves in the colony. With regard to what thousand to the owner of any pier, here. Thus we hope to get our mails a little Business is very dull at this season. There are a large number of young foreigners here

> LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS. The P. & O. Co.'s steamer Tientain left

The N. P. Co's steamer Abergeldie sailed from Portland, Oregon, for Japan and Hongkong on the 26th instant. The C.P.R. Co's steamer - Empress of Japan

The N. Y. K. steamer Kinshin Maru (Ameri-"I endeavoured to define the expression can Line) left Shimonoseki for this port yester-

arrived at Kobe at 11-30 a.m. on Wednesday,

FRUG WE HORDINAL The Directors of the Tung Wa Hospital bog 28. L'ognour in the opinion of the Acting 18 neknowledge with thanks the following done tions to the Fund for the extension of the

Pung Wa Hospital &c.:-Already acknowledged Tai Choung ... Lai Wa ... Yut Dung Chan Pun Fong Lau ... Sin Shin Chi Choung Wo Wing Choung Mr. Wu. Soung-cheu. Kwong Hing Hang Shing Wing On Lang Wing Yu Laug. Ho Hing Lung... Wing Wo Lung Nam Hing Lung Wing Song Lung Ying Cheong Lung ... Hang Lung ...

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9th Decomber. What with the poor harvests and the un usually dry season, the prospect for the winter is no botter here than in many other parts of North China. The autumn was oxceptionally unhealthy, and the mortality very high. Poor, scanty food and poor prospects caused many encoumb who otherwise might have battled successfully with disease. Prices of foodstuffs run bigher than ever, and one wonders whether a cargo of American maize or other cheap grain could not be imported and sold at a figure to

yield a profit The soil is poor and the yield scanty and by no means sufficient to supply the needs of the population. The deficiency is met by the importation of grain, maize, and wheat from the north, and rice from the south principally from North Kiangen, paid for by the produce of the fisheries and of the dwarf-oak-fed silkworm. The hills around are barren, but would perhaps be suitable for afforestation, a subject upon which it is understood our present Commissioner is an authority. Maybe he will do something later to clothe these brown bills with green, and induce them to add their share to the wealth of the world. Meantime he has laid out a nursery garden, which will no doubt be a contre of interest when the spring comes again. However, this earth capital will probably give its return under compulsion from brain and hand not from the surface but from

Indications of metallic wealth abound. Gold gilver, tin, lead antimeny, etc., are here, and not improbably in quantities to pay for working. Coal, too, must not be hastily dismissed, for though the natives have never attempted mining themselves, only lack of enterprise and fear geomantic influences have hindered them. far little or nothing has been done by for- 860 per month. igners in this direction. Gold mining the Government has interdicted for the present though quite a few purchases of likely places have been made. Outside the north gate of the city a foreigner erected boring machinery and had penetrated some thirty-five to forty feet in search of coal. Our first blizzard dismantled his scaffolding a couple of months since, and he has not resamed enerations. On the mainland the 1st Chinese Regiment

grows apace, reflecting, so far as appearances, go, much credit on Colonel Bower and bis, officers, who have one and all applied themselves with assiduity to the business in hand. A most striking feature is the aptitude the native noncommissioned officers show in handling the raw recruits, whether in physical or ordinary drill The regiment presents a fine appearance on parade. The average height is 5ft. 75in. and the conduct of the men during their own time is the subject of very little complaint in the

neighbourhood. The island has now become the property of the British Government alike as to land and buildings by purchase from the owners. Laud and houses have been valued and when not required immediately by the authorities have been ro-let to former tenants and owners under a mouth's notice. The Bastorn "half" to very large que) of the Island is under the War Office, the Western " half " under the Admiralty, Commander Gaunt, R.N., the ex-Commissioner and Adminstrator being in charge. Plans and estimates for the fortifications have been made and sanctioned but work is not likely to be begun on buildings before the spring.

On the mainland the public may purchase land under regulations which give the Government powers to vete the sale of any particular parties have during the past year or so made appurchase certain land, and these applications have answer any questions shareholders may wish to evitable result of following the former course. For obviously, if A and B are would be purchasers, if the Government authorises A to buy the ground, A can practically make his own price. It would seem that the proper course would be for the nutherities to say what land may, and what may not be sold, leaving the market to regulate itself. The Chinese law forbidding the re-sale of land, within fourteen months would confine untire speculation within fairly narrow limits. The other course, and the one which the Government seems inclined to follow, opens the door to many abuses of which Britishers are usually impatient, and interferes

with fron trade. The Agency of the Hongkong Post-office opened on the Island a couple or three months ago seems to have met with fair success. The people paying Hongkong rates, though as the public use the same boxes for posting it is not ensily seen how the Postal Agent discriminates. It is stated that this Agency is likely to make way for a Weihaiwei Post Office, a ramour which it is to be hoped may not prove to be without foundation, Above all things our communication should not be taxed, and this six cents per letter tax to which the Hongkong office subjects us is an aggravating one, inasmuch as we socure nothing in return, nor does the conveyance of civilian mails for indeed of any Weihaiwei mails) involve additional expense The Chinese Post Office flourishes and proves itself increasingly convenient. A brauch office is about to be opened on the Island, to facilitate the transmission of mails by water. It would be well if the postal authorities in Peking would and free as from the few remaining disabilities that postal arrangements are changed greatly for the batter since your correspondent last

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Kutsang, from Samarang 16th Doo, had light northerly winds and fine weather.

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The British steamer Hamiun, from Swatow 27th Dec, had fresh N.E. winds, cloudy and overcast throughout. Vessels in Swatow-Wuchang, Lienshing, Canton, and Ness. The British steamer Kwongsang, from Wuhn and Chinking 23rd Dec., had light easterly winds doll and overcast to Hieshan: light variable winds and foggy to Turnabout; from Turnabout to port fresh N.E. wind and rough sea.

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By Command. J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 16th December, 1899.

Particulars of the Letting by Public Ano. tion Sale, to be hold on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Depart. ment, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Jardine's Bazaar. East Point, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor to Her Mujesty the Queen, for one further

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VESSELS EXPECTED. THE GERMAN MAIL. The N. D. L. steamer Karlsruhe with the German mail left Singapore on Saturday. the 23rd instant, at 8 p.m. and may be expected | On London .-here on or about Friday the 29th instant. TRE PRENOH MAIL The M. M. steamer Salasie, with the French mail, of the 1st instant, left Singapore on Sunday, the 24th instant, at 9 a.m. and may be

from Hougkong on the 11th November, THE AMMAJOAN MAIL The P. M. Co a chartered steamer Onsang, with mails, &c., loft Son Francisco for this port via Yokohama and Kobo, on the 5th instant, The O. & O. steamer Ceptic, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and On Bonnay,-Shanohai on the 13th ultimo-The T. K. K. steamer America Maru, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via On Calcurra .-Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Naga-

saki and Shanghui on the 21st instant. THE INDIAN MAIL The steamer Catherine Apear, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on Monday, the 25th instant, at daylight.

MERCHANT STRAMERS. The steamer Merionothskire, from London, left Singapore on the 23rd instant, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 30th instant. The H. A. L. steamer Holsalia, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 26th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 2nd proximo.

The N. Y. K. steamer Kinchin Maru (Amorioun Line left Shimonoseki, for this port on 28th instant, and in expected to arrivo acre on the 1st proxime. The steamer Birchter, from New York for China and Japan, sails from Singapore for Manila and Hongkong on the 19th instant, The steamer St. Regular left New York for the Straits, China & Japan on the 11th ultimo. The N. P. stoamer Breconshire sailed from

Tacoma for Jupan and Hongkong on the 8th The C. N. Co.'s steamer Teinan left Sydney for usual Queousland ports, Port Darwin, Manile, Hongkong and Shanghai on the 9th inst. Bell's Asbestos E. A ... The H. A. L. steamer. Westphalia left Sues Campbell, Meore & Co for Hongkong, &c, on the 13th instant. The N. P. steamer Energia sailed from China Sugar

Tacoma for Japan and Hongkong on the 14th instant The steamer Indrapura, from New York, left Singapore for this port on Sunday, the 24th instant, at 3 p.n., The IN. P. steamer Gity of Dublin left Yokohama for Hongkong on the 22nd instant The N. P. steamer Tucoma sailed from l'acoma, for Japan and Hongkong on the 28rd

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For Amoy and Tamsni.—Per Haiman, to-

For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta-Per Malwa New 1890 to \$900 per picul. Lightning, to-morrow, the 30th instent, at For Kobe. Per Katsuyama Maru, morrow, the 80th instant, at 11.00 A M. Shanghai,-Per Taisung, to-morrow, the 30th

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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"FUTAMI MARU," (3.800 tons gross, Captain J. Thom) will b despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 29th instant, at 4 P.M. This new Mail stoamer is specially constructed for service in the Tropics and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modera fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers, Electric Light and Refrigerator. Dooter and Stewardess carried Return tickets issued by this Company are available for return by steamers of the other

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THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING." Captain S. Relson, will be despatched for above ports TO-MORROW, the 30th inst., at For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,

Hongkong, 23th December, 1899. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. STEAM FOR SHANGHAL NAGASAKI,

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"KARLSRUHE," OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain G. Dannemann, due here with the outward Gorman Mail about the 21th inst, will leave for the above places about 24 hours after NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD

For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 27th December, 1899.

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"SALAZIE," Captain Allagre, will be despatched for the above ports on or about SUNDAY, the 31s

For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Hongkong, 28th December, 1899.

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN

AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LUNDON; HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON MONDAY, the 1st January, 1900, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "OCEANIEN," Cartain Schmitz, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S.S. Australien, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 13th January, direct to Suez, Port Said, and

Cargo and Specie will be registered for Lon-Marseillos. don as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in brausit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.

Specie and Proces until 3 r.m on the 31st December. (Parcels are not to be senten board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Centents and Value of Packages are required; For further Particulars, apply at the Colupany's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hougkong, 20th December, 1899. THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND THE Company's Steamship

"TAMSUI MARU," Captain Sobajana, will be despatched the above ports on TUESDAY, the 2nd January, 1900; et DAYLIGHT. For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA.

Agents Hongkong, 26th December, 1899. UNITED STATES AND CHINA JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE. (BOH. M. SLOMAN & CO.,-HAMBURG.)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. "CATANIA." Captain Bode, will be despatched for the above

port on or about 7th January, 1900. The steamer has superior accommodation for For Freight or Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO.

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THE Company's Steamship or about the 17th January, 1900.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. TOYO KISEN KAISHA. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Stoamship TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA

OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU. "DIOMED." Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as above PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG on TUESDAY, the 9th January. Nippon Maku (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, Whones, Jan. 3, For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Kobe, Taland Sea, Yo. (1900, at Noon. kohama, and Honolulu) Hougkong, 12th Docember, 1899. AMERICA MARU (via)

Shaughai. Nagasaki, [SATURDAY, Jan. 27, 1900, at Noox. Kobe, Inland Soa, Ye. hama, and Honolula) HONGRONG MARU (via) Shanghai, Nagasaki, THURSDAY, Feb. 22, 1900, at Noon, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu)

THE Steamship "NIPPON MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAL, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONO. LULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd January, 1900, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO LULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point on routs. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Gormany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of

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obtained on application. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHBEN PACIFIC, CRNTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER-AND BIO GRANDS. and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Percel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Lavoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight apply to the Agency of the Company Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1899. HE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITER-RANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH

AND LONDON. THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS. THE Steamship

"PARRAMATTA," Captain A. Symons, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 6th January, 1900, at Noon, taking passengers and Cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Ten for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marsailles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note

the terms and conditions of the Company's Bill of Lading. For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent. Hongkong, 25th December: 1809.

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AMERICA, &c. S.S. "STRATHOYLE" On 10th Jan. 5.023 Tons S.S. " CARLISLE CITY"] On 10th Jan. 3.002 Tons S.S. " BELGIAN KING ".......] On 20th Jan. 3,379 Tons. S.S. " CARMARTHENSHIRE . X \ About 3let 2,929 Tons... January

THE Steamship "STRATHGYLE" be despatched for SAN DIEGO, via KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU. on WEDNESDAY, the 10th January. Through Bills of Lading issued to may point Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages

will be received at the Office until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required. Consular Invoices, to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Diego, should be sofit to the. Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, Sau Diego. For further information as to Freight or

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Through Bills of Lading issued for trans. will be despatched for the above part about the middle of January, 1900, and will be followed by For Freight apply to DODWELL & CO. LD.,

Hongkong, 21st December, 1899. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY LIMITED:

FOR SAMARANG AND SOURABAYA TillE Company's Steamship

"KANSU." Captain Somerville, will be despatched above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th January. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUFTERFIELD & SWIRE. Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1899. UNITED STATES & CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE. FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamship "INDRAVELLI." Captain Craven, will be despatched as above of

or about 18th January, 1900. For freight apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Hongkong, 21st December, 1899,

UCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. FIHE Company's Steamship's "ANTENOR."

Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 23rd January. For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong 2th December, 1899. NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS. THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG-SUBJECT TO ALTERATION. 21st Fobruary. ... WEDNESDAY WEDNESDAY HAMBURG ... (Hamburg Amorika Liuie) ... PRINZ HEINRICH

ON WEDNESDAY, the 10th day of January, 1900, at Noon, the Steamship "PREUS-SEN," of the Nordbeutscher Lloyd, Captein R. HEINTZE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES

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ALGOA (via Moji, Kobe,) SATURDAY, Feb. 16

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THE Chartered Steamer "ALGOA" will be

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Hongkong, 22nd Docember, 1899.

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on MONDAY, the 15th January.

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Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above will be despatched for the above port on The attention of Passengers is directed to WEDNESDAY, the 3rd January, 130 the Superior Assommodation offered by this instead of as previously notified. To be followed by Steamer. First Class Saloon is situated for The Steamshia

"QUEEN ELEANOR" on or about 1st. February, 1900. The Steamship "MORVEN" on or about the 25th February, 1900.

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FOR PORT DARWIN. QUEENSLAND SPRAMSHIP COMPANY. PORCS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED Captain Nelson, will be despatched as above STATES.

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and Honolalu) THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC." will be despatched for SAN FRAN-CISCO. VIA SHANGHAL, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on SATURDAY, the 20th

January, 1900, at Noon. Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO. LULU and passengers are allowed to break

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SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTER PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVEE AND RESERANDE, For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building. and NORTHERN PACIFIC EAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY OR PRYMENT Of

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Hougkong, 27th December, 1899. "SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR LONDON.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH. ANT-

WERP, LONDON, COLOMBO, AND SINGAPORE. THE Company's Steamship

"HITACHI MARU" will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same having arrived from the above ports, Conday all Parcel Packages should be marked to signees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kow. loon Wharf and Gedown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon To-day. Goods not cleared by the 1st proxime will be subject to rents All ship damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the Soth inst., and FRIDAY, the 5th proxime, both days at 10 A.M., apon notice of such damage being sent in beforehand

to this office. All claims must reach the undersigned before the 5th proximo, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance has been effected. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, 25th December, 1899.

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